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The foundation stone of the Tung Wah Hospital was laid in 1870 and the institution was formally opened on the 14th February, 1872.

Previous to that time the only institution that existed for the reception of moribund Chinese was the notorious E-tze.

Land had originally been granted for the purpose of erecting a temporary resting place for the dead, but the Government had no intention of allowing the land to be used for such a purpose.

The patients were in such a state that the attendants, who were Chinese, were unable to take care of them, and they were left to die.

In April, 1869, an inquest on the body of a man who had died there brought to light the horrible state of things which existed.

The late Mr. LESTER, who was at that time Acting Registrar-General, visited the place and in the language described what he saw.

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taking steps to prevent it the principal Chinese of the colony petitioned the Government to be allowed to build a place for these people, and the E-tze was the result.

In his speech at the opening of the Tung Wah Hospital, Governor Macdonnell referred to what had existed in the E-tze and said the disclosures had stirred the whole community and led to an effort which had not ceased till it culminated in the work they were then completing.

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was saved from a trial for manslaughter, which he would certainly have had if he had been charged with the murder of the passengers who were drowned, for he had willfully imperilled their lives.

The danger to the passengers was also a factor to be taken into account, for the affair might have happened under such circumstances that a collision could only have been avoided by running the ship into shore, as in the recent case of the *Zafra*, which struck a rock in trying to avoid collision with a junk.

The *Zafra* was thus no allegation that the collision was willfully obstructing the navigation; it was simply a case of difficult maneuvering for a steamer against a crowd of small sailing craft.

But in the present case the offence of the launch master was entirely wanton. It is considered good luck by the Chinese to cross a steamer's bow, but all launch masters know that it is dangerous and wrong to do so, and that if they attempt such a maneuver they run the risk of losing their certificate.

The master of the launch *Wing* had not a word to say in his defence; there was nothing that he could say. Either for a superstitious motive or in a spirit of pure bravado he imperilled the lives of sixty passengers and the safety of a large steamer.

He could not plead ignorance, for he had had to satisfy the Harbour Master as to his competency for his position before he obtained his certificate. And what was his punishment for this grave offence? One month's suspension of his certificate.

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Patrol for the Hongkong River close today. Tomorrow morning, between 9 and 10 o'clock, the steam launch *Dongyong*, carrying the *Method* flag, will call alongside any vessel engaged in the river.

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S. O. Stevens, is expected on the 15th inst. at 5
o'clock, left Newcastle on the 15th inst. at 5
and may be expected here in or about
Friday, the 19th inst.

The P. M. steamer City of Peking with the
passenger, Mr. M. M. Stevens, for this port
left at 10 o'clock, and is expected on the 19th inst.

The P. M. steamer City, with the American
passenger, Mr. M. M. Stevens, for this port left Hong-
kong on the 15th inst.

THE HONGKONG MAIL.

The P. M. steamer Ernest Simons with the
passenger, Mr. M. M. Stevens, for this port left at 10 o'clock,
and is expected on the 19th inst. at 5 a. m. and may
be expected here on Sunday, the 20th inst. about
midnight. This packet brings replies to letters
dispatched from Hongkong on the 14th Novem-

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The P. M. steamer Pyramus left Singapore on the
evening of the 13th inst. and is due here on
about the 22nd inst.

The P. M. steamer, from London,

Wednesday morning, the 16th inst.
the P. & O. steamer *Aden* left London on
the 25th ult.
the China Mutual steamer *Pingkuo*, from
the 1st inst. and the *Canal* on the

For Port Darwin, Thursday, 11th inst.
For Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, and Melbourne.—Per *Chinglu*, to-day, the 10th inst.
2.30 P.M.
For Manila.—Per *Sophie Rickmers*, to-day,

near, on Wednesday, the 31st inst, at 2.30
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